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**The assumptions of white privilege and what we can do about it:** "It has never been easy to be black in America," writes Fr. Bryan N. Massingale in a commentary on NCR. "Still, the past few months have pushed me to depths of outrage, pain and despondency that are unmatched in my 63 years of life. ...

"I try to pray, but inner quiet eludes me. I simply sit in silence on Pentecost weekend before a lit candle praying, 'Come, Holy Spirit' as tears fall. Words fail me. I ponder the futility of speaking out, yet again, trying to think of how to say what has been said, what I have said, so often before.

"Then it occurred to me. Amy Cooper holds the key."

**In Vietnam's aging society, homeless women find shelter with nuns:** St. Paul de Chartres Sr. Léonard Huynh Thi An, who works with elderly homeless people in Da Nang, told Global Sisters Report that more and more aging parents are being abandoned by their families. An, as Joachim Pham reports, runs a home that provides shelter and care to older women in need.

**The gaze of Jesus:** In the latest installment of EarthBeat's series [Digging Into Laudato Si'](#), Samantha Panchèvre asks, "If Jesus is in all living things, and we fail to treat other people, other creatures and the environment with care, then what does that say about our relationship with Jesus?"

**The Trump and Barr un-reality Twitter show**: Michael Sean Winters does something today that he never thought he would do: rise to the defense of Twitter. "Call me guilty of moral relativism, but I find myself inclined to support almost any person or thing that President Donald Trump attacks, even if I have long harbored my own concerns about that person or thing."

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